

## Message Text

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ACTION SS-30

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P R 240832Z OCT 73  
FM AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0247  
INFO AMEMBASSY LONDON

S E C R E T TEL AVIV 8540

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E O 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, US, UK, IS, XF  
SUBJECT: CONVERSATION WITH BRITISH AMBASSADOR

1. MY BETE NOIRE BRITISH AMBASSADOR LEDWIDGE SNIFFED IN OCT 23 AT HIS REQUEST. HE INITIATED THE CONVERSATION BY MAKING NOISES TO EFFECT THAT SECRETARY HAD, OF COURSE, FULLY BRIEFED SIR ALEC DOUGLAS-HOME DURING LONDON STOPOVER, WITH IMPLICATION LEDWIDGE HAD IN TURN BEEN THOROUGHLY INFORMED OF CONVERSATIONS IN LONDON. LEDWIDGE TRIED CONVEY IMPRESSION THAT PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS FOR EXCHANGE OF VIEWS BETWEEN INFORMED REPRESENTATIVES OF PARTNERS IN IMPORTANT ENTERPRISE OF RESTORING PEACE TO THE MID EAST.

2. FROM THIS BASE, HE LAUNCHED SERIES OF PROBES DESIGNED TO ELICIT INFO CONCERNING SECRETARY'S VISIT TO ISRAEL, STATUS OF CEASEFIRE, ISRAELI VIEW OF THE FUTURE AND VARIET OF OTHER SUBJECTS.

3. IT BECAME CLEAR THAT WHAT HE WAS REALLY AFTER WAS ANY INFORMATION WHICH MIGHT CONFIRM HIS "IMPRESSION" THAT US AND GOI HAD PERHAPS MAJOR DIFFERENCES OVER SC RESOLUTION AND RELATED MATTERS. I DISABUSED HIM OF THIS IDEA.

4. COMMENT: AS USUAL, LEDWIDGE PROBED A LOT, SPOKE MORE AND RECEIVED NOTHING. UNFORTUNATELY, HOWEVER, I DOUBT IF FACT HE DREW ANOTHER BLANK WILL DISCOURAGE HIM FROM TAKING  
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INITIATIVE FOR ADDITIONAL MEETINGS IN NEAR FUTURE.  
KEATING

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